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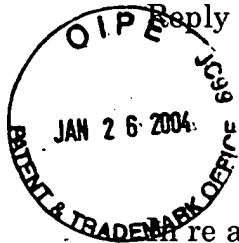
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.



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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

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|---|---|---|---|-------------------------------|--|----|------------------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS FEE | 26 | - | 26 | ** | LG=\$18 SM=\$9 | \$ | \$ |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE | 3 | - | 3 | *** | LG=\$86 SM=\$43 | \$ | \$ |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | | | LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$290 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$145 | | \$ |
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☐ A check in the amount of \$___ to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**☐ A check in the amount of \$___ to cover the extension fee is enclosed. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314. **A copy of this sheet is enclosed.**☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17Respectfully submitted,
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